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Emergency Repairs to "The Maze"

Oakland – As a result of an early morning gasoline tanker truck fire, the interchange known as "The Maze" was seriously damaged.

The interchanges leading from eastbound I-80 to eastbound I-580, and from westbound I-80 to southbound I-880, remain closed indefinitely.

Caltrans structural engineers have been on site since early this morning, assessing the damage and formulating repair designs. In addition, a demolition contractor has been hired under the terms of an emergency contract.

Commuters are advised to expect significant delays. The use of public transportation is strongly encouraged.

Caltrans Director Will Kempton has personally inspected the damage. He has scheduled a news conference for later today.

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